

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The bald eagle is a threatened species in South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks and the Department of Agriculture have the responsibility to protect and restore endangered species in South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, Natural resource management benefits from an informed and involved public; and,

*Whereas*, Bald Eagle Awareness Days have been conducted in South Dakota since 1993, bringing an educational message about birds of prey to thousands of school-aged children and the public; and,

*Whereas*, The designation of Bald Eagle Awareness Week would expand the educational message in South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, The Bald Eagle Awareness Days' Steering Committee desires to promote educational activities associated with bald eagles and other birds of prey in connection with Bald Eagle Awareness Week:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 21-26, 2011, as

### *BALD EAGLE AWARENESS WEEK*

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State